IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

IN RE:

CASE No. 17-00046 (ESL)

MICHELLE ROSARIO ROSADO

Adv. Proc.: 17-00128 (ESL)

Debtor/ Plaintiff

CHAPTER 13

FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico

Creditor/ Defendant

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT

TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

Comes now **FIRSTBANK PUERTO RICO**, a domestic corporation appearing through its undersigned attorney, and brings this motion to the attention of Honorable Bankruptcy Court its answer to the complaint filed in adversary proceeding no. 17-00128 (ESL):

INTRODUCTION

1. Accepted only as to Plaintiff's intention towards Defendant' secured claim.

JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT

2. Accepted.

VENUE

3. Accepted.

PARTIES

- 4. Accepted.
- 5. Accepted.

FACTS

- 6. Accepted.
- 7. Accepted.
- 8. Accepted.
- 9. Denied for lack of knowledge towards the millage of the vehicle at the time of the filing of the petition; accepted only as Plaintiff's proposal towards Defendant' secured claim.

- 10. Denied as to the provided as value of the collateral.
- 11. Accepted as to the filing of a plan dated January 7, 2017 under legal docket no. 2, and Denied as to the remaining information of the sentence.
 - 12. Denied.
 - 13. Denied.
 - 14. Denied.
 - 15. Denied.
 - 16. Accepted.
 - 17. Accepted as to the "cramdown" option exercised by Plaintiff; denied as Defendant's acceptance of the same.
 - 18. Accepted.
 - 19. Accepted as to the citation of the case, Denied as to Plaintiff's conclusion towards it.
 - 20. Accepted as to the citation of the case, Denied as to Plaintiff's conclusion towards it.
 - 21. Denied.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

- 1. Defendant FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico is a fully secured creditor and as such should be recognized and paid in Debtor's proposed chapter 13 plan.
- 2. In the present case Defendant FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico has been deprived from receiving full payment for its secured debt as claimed.
- 3. The complaint at bar fails to allege a cause of action for which a remedy must be granted.
 - 4. Plaintiff's action is time barred.
- 5. Plaintiff is not entitled to the requested remedy since the vehicle under its name has a higher value.
- 6. As per the Appraisal Report performed by Mr. Sixto Lugo, the value of Defendant's collateral is estimated in \$12,250.00. (Copy of the Appraisal Report has been included with this answer as Attachment "A".)
- 7. The leading U.S. Supreme Court decision of *Lee M. Till, et ux vs. Credit Corporation,* 541 U.S. 465 (2004), <u>requires</u> the bankruptcy court to adjust the prevailing prime rate to a greater

amount, considering the non-payment risk factors such as the estate circumstances, the security's nature, the chapter 13 plan's duration, compliance with the feasibility test, and the completion rate in the jurisdiction in which the vehicle is in.

- 8. Pursuant to the *Till* analysis, the applicable interest in the case at bar is 6.25% (3.75% prime rate + 2.50% risk factor). Considering the appraised value of the collateral in \$12,250.00 x 6.25%, leaves the secured portion of Defendant's claim in **\$14,296.80**. (See *Attachment "B"*.)
- 9. Insurance quote must be provided from the filing of the voluntary petition, pursuant to the provisions of 11 USC §1326 (a)(4), in order to protect the insured in the event of damage or loss. *In re Derickson*, 226 B.R. 879, 881-82 (Bankr.S.D.III 1998), citing *In re Feher*, 202 B.R. 966, 970-71, (Bankr.S.D.III 1996); In re Stevens, 130 F.3d 10271030 (11th Cir.1997).
- 10. <u>Defendant FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico expressly reserves the right to retain the lien securing its proof of claim until the earlier of (i) the full payment of its claim as determined under bankruptcy law or (ii) the entry of a discharge order pursuant to section 1328 of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C.), in light of the decision of *In re Fareed*, 262 BR 761 (Bankr. ND III 2001) and *In re Picht*, 428 BR 885 (BAP 10 Cir. 2010).</u>
- 11. Defendant FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico also expressly reserves the right to amend its answer to the complaint and include any defense that may arise during the discovery process.

REMEDY

In compliance with the highest ethical standards and according to the principles of common law, Defendant FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico very respectfully requests from this Honorable Court to grant this Answer to the Complaint and:

- a. determine that the actual value of Plaintiff's vehicle (a 2014 Mitsubishi Outlander) is \$12,250.00;
- b. determine that the secured portion of Defendant's claim (the value of the collateral with a 6.0% annual interest) is **\$14,296.80**;
- c. order Plaintiff to provide adequate protection payments in the amount of **\$100.00** to Firstbank's claim no. 1, <u>retroactive</u> to the filing of Defendant's proof of claim,
- d. order Plaintiff to provide insurance for the collateral at all times until the secured portion of Defendant's claim is *paid-off*, and to

WHEREFORE and for the above stated reasons, FIRSTBANK Puerto Rico respectfully

requests from this Honorable Court for each and every ground stated herein, to grant this motion.

NOTICE

Within fourteen (14) days after service as evidenced by the certification, and additional three (3) days pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006 (f) if you were served by mail, any party against whom this paper has been served, or any party to the action who objects to the relief sought herein, shall serve and file an objection or other appropriate response to this paper with the Clerk's Office Bankruptcy Court for the District of Puerto Rico. If no objection or other response is filed within the time allowed herein, the paper will be deemed unopposed and may be granted unless: (i) the requested is forbidden by law; (ii) the requested relief is against public policy; or (iii) in the opinion of the Court, the interest of justice requires otherwise. Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1 (c)(1).

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, the 14th day of July, 2017.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this same date a true and correct copy of the present motion was sent by the CM/ECF System to: all creditors; José R. Carrión Morales, Esq., Chapter 13 Trustee; Juan O. Calderón Lithgow, Esq. counsel for Debtor; and by regular mail to Debtor at the address on record: Buzón 7 calle 9, Bo. Carmelita, Vega Baja, P.R. 00693, as per the attached *List of Creditors*.

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Notes

BLACK BOOK RETAIL

\$13175 - 812 = \$12363.00

\$12250.00

Vehicle Info For 2014 Mitsubishi Outlander ES 4D SUV FWD

MSRP: \$22,995

VIN: JA4AD2A38EZ010463

Adj. State: National

Fin Adv: \$11,975

UVC: 2014620169

Mileage: 33001

Equip Ret: \$24,824

MPG: 25/31

Mileage Cat: D

Tire Size: 215/70R16

Cylinders: 4

Base HP: 166 @ 6000

Weight: 4564

Transmission: A

Taxable HP: 18.6

Fuel Type: Gas Wheelbase: 105.1

Drive Train: FWD

Model Number: OT45A

End of Term 0

End of Term 0

Months:

Price Includes: AT AC

Mileage:

Wholesale Black Book values as of 7/1/2017

	X-CL	Clean	Average	Rough
Base	\$12,150	\$10,750	\$9,050	\$7,450
Options	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mileage	\$350	\$675	\$1,000	\$1,175
Region	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$12,500	\$11,425	\$10,050	\$8,625

Trade In Black Book values as of 7/1/2017

	X-CL	Clean	Average	Rough
Base	N/A	\$11,100	\$9,475	\$7,075
Options	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mileage	N/A	\$675	\$1,000	\$1,175
Region	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	N/A	\$11,775	\$10,475	\$8,250

Retail Black Book values as of 7/1/2017

X-CL Clean Rough Average

	X-CL	Clean	Average	Rough
Base	\$15,925	\$14,300	\$12,175	\$10,325
Options	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mileage	\$350	\$675	\$1,000	\$1,175
Region	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$16,275	\$14,975	\$13,175	\$11,500

Residual Black Book values as of 7/1/2017

•	12 Month	24 Month	30 Month	36 Month
Base Miles	62K - 65K	80K - 83K	86K - 89K	92K - 95K
Base Residual	\$7,650	\$6,550	\$5,800	\$5,625
% ERT*	31%	26%	23%	23%
Add/Deducts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Adj. Residual	\$7,650	\$6,550	\$5,800	\$5,625

42 Month	48 Month	60 Month	72 Month
98K - 101K	101K - 104K	113K - 116K	122K - 125K
\$4,950	\$4,800	\$4,075	\$3,425
20%	19%	16%	14%
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$4,950	\$4,800	\$4,075	\$3,425

Base residual values are projected values for typically equipped vehicle in average condition with indicated miles. Residual values are published 7 times a year: January, March, May, July, September, October, and November.

*ERT: Typically equipped retail price

End-of-Term Black Book values as of 7/1/2017

EOT Residual

Start	N/A	N/A	N/A
EOT	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Value	
	Base		N/A
	% Equipped Retail		N/A
	Miles Adjustment		N/A
Add	d/Deducts Adjustment		N/A

Date Expected Miles Base Miles

NOTE: Be sure to enter the end of term date and miles in order to get proper End of Term results. If the date range spans more than 72 months, then 72 month adjusted residual will be returned as the End-of-Term Value.

N/A

Black Book Add/Deducts

Entertainment System +600 Navigation System +750



Hoja de Cálculo del Contrato

07/14/2017

Nombre Comprador: MICHELLE ROSARIO ROSADO

Tipo de Préstamo: Fecha de Contrato:	12-A9-128 (E	esc vice)
	7/14/2017	*
Fecha de Primer Pago:	8/15/2017	
APR:	6.25%	
Término:	60	
Precio de Venta:	12,250.00	
Accesorios:	0.00	
Servicios:	0.00	
= Total	12,250.00	
Pronto Pago:	0.00	
Trade-in:	0.00	
Residual:	0.00	
Tipo de Automóvil:	USADO	
Seguro de Cuenta: POR CLIEN	re 0.00	
	Principal	Intereses
Balance a Financiar:	12,250.00	
+ FirstBank PPP:	0.00	
+ FirstBank PPP GAP:	0.00	
+ Derrama:	0.00	
+ Prima de Seguro:	0.00	0.00
+ Seguro GAP:	0.00	0.00
+ Contrato de Servicio:	0.00	0.00
+ Prima de Vida:	0.00	0.00
= Subtotal de Seguros	0.00	200 10 000 10
= Principal	12,250.00	90
+ Intereses:	2,046.80	10 96.
+ Gasto de Registro:	61.50	\$ 14,296.80
+ Gasto de Gravamen:	15.00	
= Nota Total	14,373.30	
Primer Pago: 1	331.30	
Pago Regular: 59	238.00	
Ultimo Pago: 0	0.00	
60	14,373.30	

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